

*FROM ABROAD.*

Colonel Dr. Gorgas, who has had charge for the United States, of the sanitary affairs of the canal Zone, states that the white man is now enjoying good health there.

Mrs. Marshall, M.D., died at Walford, England, recently, in her 73rd year. She was well known as an able practitioner and was on the staff of the Women's Hospital, London.

An International Congress on Pathology will be held in Turin in 1911. Arrangements are now being carried on to make the congress a successful one.

Dr. George Danford Thomas, the Senior Coroner for London, Dr. John E. Platt, Surgeon, Manchester Royal Infirmary, and William Berry, Senior Surgeon, Albert Edward Infirmary, Wiggan, died recently.

There is a bill before the House of Commons, Britain, for purposes to compel the medical profession to fill out certain death certificates without granting any compensation for this extra duty. The reason assigned is that the bill is in the public interest.

In the United States up to 30th June, 60 cases of persons bitten by rabid animals, or with wounds that had been infected with saliva from rabid animals, had been treated by the Pasteur method. So far none had died.

The infant mortality in Ireland is 92 per 1,000 as against 116 for Scotland and 126 for England. In Dublin the infant mortality rate is 141 per 1,000, in Belfast 139, and in Cork 126. The Women's National Health Association is taking this matter up.

Sir Constantine Holman, M.D., died in his 81st year at Ramsgate on 18th August. He took a great interest in the British Medical Association and in Epsom College. He was a remarkably successful practitioner.

In Manchester, England, an investigation into the death-rate of infants shows that when breast-fed for the first six months the death-rate is 113 per 1,000, but when fed on other foods for the same period the rate rose to 314.

In Great Britain during the past 50 years the certified insane have increased by 255 per cent., while the population has increased by 83 per cent. In recent years the increase in the population is more nearly of an equal percentage with the increase in the insane, the ratio being as 12 per cent. is to 22 per cent.

Dr. Robert R. Rentoul, in a letter in the *Medical Press*, strongly advocates the sterilization of degenerates. He claims that this would be better than building more asylums and heaping more taxes upon the